UNDP's Office in the Republic of Congo

Minutes

Initial meeting of UNCT focal points for the implementation of the Joint United Nations
Programme for Peace Consolidation, Conflict Prevention and Human Security in the Republic
of Congo

Date of meeting: 18 January 2012

I- Background:

The United Nations Trust Fund for Human Security approved the project document referred to as "Joint United Nations Programme for Peace Consolidation, Conflict Prevention and Human Security in the Republic of Congo" in October 2011. Five UN agencies are involved in the implementation of the project document UNDP, UNICEF, FAO, UNFPA, WHO. An initial meeting was convened to discuss on concrete implementation arrangements.

II- Objectives of the meeting

A- Overarching objective

The overarching aim of the meeting was to effectively coordinate the project activities with a view to providing further guidance to focal points selected by the UN agencies involved in the response.

B- Specific objectives

The meeting has four specific objectives as follows:

- ✓ Introduce the focal points selected by the UN agencies;
- ✓ Acquaint the focal points with the stakes of the programme;
- ✓ Discuss and share views on the implementation arrangements of the programme;
- ✓ Establish a coordination team in charge of monitoring the project implementation.

III- Meeting discussion points

The UNDP's Senior Technical Advisor, pointed out the need to coordinate agencies activities with a view to reducing implementation costs;

- The UNDP's Project Associate presented the background, the rationale for the programme and reminded the UN focal points about the activities the participating agencies are expected to carry out;
- It was noted that the UN agencies involved in the project implementation will confirm the focal
 points who will be participating permanently in the coordination team meetings to monitor the
 programme implementation;
- The UNICEF's project Manager pointed out that there is a need to integrate previously planned watsan activities in the Pool region in line with its annual work plan;
- The UNDP's Senior Advisor suggested that meeting of the Coordination team should be held in all agencies by turns. As such the next meeting is scheduled to take place on 25th January within UNICEF's premises.

IV- Meeting Participants

- 1. Emelyne Bahanda: Senior Advisor, Governance Unit (UNDP);
- 2. Guy Saizonou: Senior Technical Advisor (UNDP);
- **3. Gueye Elisabeth:** Gender Programme Analyst (UNFPA);
- 4. Jean De Dieu Konongo: Programme Advisor (WHO);
- 5. Isabelle Mouyokani: Project Manager (UNICEF);
- **6.** Cyprien Balaya: Project Associate (UNDP);
- 7. Claude-Angella Mabassy: Gender Expert (UNDP);
- **8. Traore-Sama Renatou :** National Consultant (FAO) ;
- **9. Ernest Etsa Ebana :** Community support expert (UNDP) ;
- 10. Avel Massamba-Louzolo: Database expert (UNDP).